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3 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
4 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

5 MELVIN DAVID SMITH JR.,

6 Plaintiff,

7 v.

8 STATE OF NEVADA,

9 Defendant.

Case No. 2:23-cv-01465-CDS-NJK

ORDER

10 Plaintiff is proceeding in this action *pro se* and submitted a complaint to initiate this case.
11 Docket No. 1. Plaintiff has not, however, paid the required filing fee or requested authority
12 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915 to proceed *in forma pauperis*. To proceed with this case, Plaintiff
13 must either pay the filing fee or file an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*, including an
14 inmate account statement for the past six months and a properly executed financial certificate.

15 Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED:**

16 1. Plaintiff must either make the necessary arrangements to pay the filing fee,
17 accompanied by a copy of this order, or file a complete application to proceed *in forma pauperis*,
18 including an inmate account statement for the past six months and a properly executed financial
19 certificate.

20 2. The Clerk of the Court is instructed to send Plaintiff the approved form application
21 to proceed *in forma pauperis* by a prisoner, as well as the document entitled information and
22 instructions for filing an *in forma pauperis* application.

23 Plaintiff must comply with this order no later than May 7, 2024. Failure to comply will
24 result in a recommendation to the District Judge that this case be dismissed.

25 IT IS SO ORDERED.

26 Dated: March 12, 2024

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Nancy J. Koppe
United States Magistrate Judge